

## REMARKS

In the Office Action of April 2, 2009 claims 10, 12-18, 20-43 and 49 and 51 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Nysen (5,252,979). Regarding independent claims 10, 18, 27, 31, 37, 38, and 51, the Examiner alleges that Nysen teaches that the “first communicator on the left communicating with other communicators in fig. 4 is a master” device and is operable to control communications (with other communicators 22) on the radio network. Applicant disagrees. None of the communicators 22 are master devices and they do not control communications on the network comprising the other communicators 22. Therefore, independent claims 10, 18, 27, 31, 37, 38, and 51 are not anticipated by Nysen.

Regarding independent claims 27, 33 and 46, the Examiner alleges that Nysen teaches that the first communicator on the left communicating with other communicators in fig. 4 is a master device and is operable to synchronize communications of a second wireless network device participating on the radio network. Applicant disagrees. None of the communicators 22 are master devices and none of them synchronize communications of a second communicator 22. Therefore, independent claims 27, 33 and 46 are not anticipated by Nysen.

Regarding independent claims 28, 34 and 47, the Examiner alleges that Nysen teaches that the first communicator on the left communicating with other communicators in fig. 4 is a master device and is operable to manage communications of a second wireless network device participating on the radio network with a third wireless network device participating on the radio network. Applicant disagrees. None of the communicators 22 are master devices and none of them manage communications of a second communicator 22 with a third communicator 22. Therefore, independent claims 28, 34 and 47 are not anticipated by Nysen.

Additionally, all of the independent claims include limitations directed towards radio networks and/or radio units. The Nysen system is not a radio frequency communication system, but rather a microwave frequency system. See, e.g., column 2, line 16, and column 4, lines 8-9.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 10-51.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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